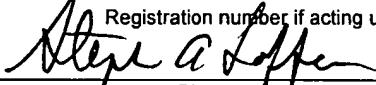




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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2008

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$)	60.00	Attorney Docket No.	M0025.0348/P348
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Filing Date	August 31, 2006
First Named Inventor	Bryan E. Cole
Examiner Name	C. Hannaher
Art Unit	2884

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit Card Money Order None Other (please identify): _____

Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 04-1073 Deposit Account Name: Dickstein Shapiro LLP

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

<u>Application Type</u>	<u>FILING FEES</u>		<u>SEARCH FEES</u>		<u>EXAMINATION FEES</u>	
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
Utility	310	155	510	255	210	105
Design	210	105	100	50	130	65
Plant	210	105	310	155	160	80
Reissue	310	155	510	255	620	310
Provisional	210	105	0	0	0	0

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
50	25
210	105
370	185

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple Dependent Claims

Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

Multiple dependent claims

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
22	- = 23	x 0.00	= 0.00

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
3	- = 3	x 0.00	= 0.00

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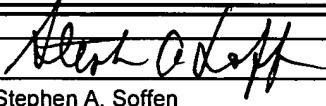
4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 2251 Extension for response within first month

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